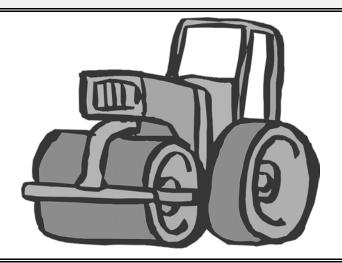
BMP: Compaction



DESCRIPTION:

Use of rolling, tamping, or vibration to stablize fill materials and control erosion by increasing the soil density. Increasing the density of soil improves soil strength, reduces long-term soil settlement, and provides resistance to erosion.

APPLICATIONS:

- Stabilize fill material placed around various structures.
- Improve soil in place as foundation support for roads, parking lots, and buildings.

INSTALLATION/APPLICATION CRITERIA:

- Make sure soil moisture content is at optimum levels.
- Use proper compaction equipment.
- Install sediment control and storm water management devices below compacted areas and runon interceptor devices above these areas. Drainage from compacted areas must be carefully planned to protect adjacent uncompacted soils.
- The surface of compacted areas should be scarified and seeded or mulched and seeded to increase the effectiveness of compaction.

LIMITATIONS:

- Compaction tends to increase runoff.
- Over-compaction will hamper revegetation efforts.

MAINTENANCE:

No maintenance required.

OBJECTIVES

- □ Housekeeping Practices
- □ Contain Waste
- Stabilize Disturbed Areas
- □ Protect Slopes/Channels
- □ Control Site Perimeter
- □ Control Internal Erosion



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TARGETED POLLUTANTS

- Sediment
- □ Nutrients
- □ Toxic Materials
- □ Oil & Grease
- ☐ Floatable Materials
- □ Other Waste
- High Impact
- ☑ Medium Impact
- □ Low or Unknown Impact

IMPLEMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

- ☑ Capital Costs
- ☑ O&M Costs
- □ Maintenance
- ☑ Training
- High

 Medium
- □ Low